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WEATHER PORECAST. El Paso and west Texas, fair, colder; New Mexico, fair, colder; Arizons, fair.

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TWELVE PAGES TODAY,

## Villa Six Miles From Casas Grandes ELL WILL COMM

Juarez Report Says Bandit Chief's Men Are Riding U.S. Cavalry Horses.

HEADING FOR THE GALEANA DISTRICT

Carranza Officials Say Five Columns Of Carranza Troops Encircle Villa.

VILLA was six miles northwest of Casas Grandes Mondo Casas Grandes Monday night and

Came Grandes Monday night and is heading for the Galeana district east of Casna Grandea.

This information was received by Mexiche officials in Juarez Tuesday morning. Villa, the report stated, had only 200 men with him at the time and was heading east across the railroad track.

He was expected to move at daylight Tuesday morning. All of his men are mounted, a number of the cavalry horses captured at Columbus being used by his men, the report stated.

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Five columns of Carraina troops are
in pursuit of Villa, according to Carrama consul Andrea Garcia.

The first of these expeditionary
forces reached Juarez from Chihushua
eity Tusuday morning in command of
then Luis Gutierrea, military governor
of Chihushua, and went into camp at
the overhead bridge below Juarez. They
are expected to move southwest over
the Mexico North Western railroad at
once and begin a campaign from Guaman east, into the Galeans district after
Villa.

Gutierres in Juarez.

canyon of the Santa Maria river.

Has Many Wounded.

A dispatch received today from Col.
Nieto Macia, at Pearson, stated that
Villa carried a large number of woundno with him in wagons through Galmaha. The Mormons at Cassas Grandes, he
said, feel perfectly secure and have no
desire to be taken out of the country.
He also confirmed the news of the
safety of Mrs. Wright's child, kidnaped
by Villa and found at the Cornes Valles
ranch.

## VILLA KILLED ALL SENTRIES. SAYS U. S. OFFICER'S WIFE

Louisville, Ky., March 14.—Francisco Villa's bundita killed every sentry and thus effected undetected entry into Columbua, N. M., seconding to Mrs. James H. Castleman, wife of Lieut, Castleman, officer of the day during last week's rold of Mexicans on Columbus Mrs. Castleman was in Columbus during the lattle and now is at the home of her parents in Louisville.

"At 4 colock I heard a shot," said Mrs. Castleman, "and I dreased myself and children. Then builsts rained on the bed and soo my platel, for I said they would not take me alive."

During a half hour, she said, she heard shouts of "Viva Villa. Death to Americans." Then the Mexican trumpets sounded the retreat.

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## 35 AMERICANS ON WAY HERE FROM CHIHUAHUA

Washington, D. C., March 14.—Thirtyfive Americans are leaving Chihushua
city today on a special train provided
by the Carranga authorities. Twenty
Americans refused to leave and 17 others in various parts of Chihushua state
also elected to romain. The state departure of the Americans said the Carranga authorities in Chihushua wers
showing an excellent spirit of cooperation.

## GEN. OBREGON APPOINTED

Mexico City, Mex., March 14—Gen. Alvaro Obregon, commander in chief of Mexican forces, has been appointed minister of war and Gen. Candido Aguilar minister of foreign affairs. Many foreigners are leaving the cap-

Declare War Losses Have Not Been as Severe as Reported.

Washington, D. C., March 13.—German estimates regarding French losses around Verdun are quite inaccurate, according to a statement from the French embassy today. It says:

The Germans, wishing to reach the mumber of prisoners taken from them in Champagne and the Artois has September, have obtained the total of 25,000 unwounded prisoners by including, as usual, the killed and wounded and unwounded prisoners. Such total is more than double the real number.

"As to the 189 guns claimed as captured, the real number is only 84, including damaged guns and guns ahandoned. The Germans say they have lost no airplanes in February's aerial fighting, and claim that 22 French of English muchines have been brought down after fighting.

The truth is that in February we brought down, in aerial fighting, five German airplanes, which fell in our lines and five others which fell in the German lines. During the same month only one French airplane was brought down in aerial fighting.

rest.
The Bulgarian government declined, the advices state, owing to the uncertain attitude of Roumainia.

## FRANCE'S WAR BILL STEADILY

Gen. Gutierrez in Junez.

Gen. Gutierrez, soon after his arrival, met Gen. Gavira, the Jocal commundant, and consul Garcia, of El Paso, in a private conference. Afterward, Gen. Gutierrez gave out that besides the troops holding points and maintaining pairols, five columns of 126 men each are closing up on the bandit chief under the respective commands of futterrez himself, and generals Luis Herrira. Hatasi Maldonado, Benjamin tharna and Jone Cahasoa.

While the cavalry forces are moving in from the east, the command of 900 men at Santa Ana, under Col. Cano, is believed at the Junez headquarters to be aufficient to check any attempt by Villa to excape to the south up the canyon of the Santa Maria river.

Han Many Wounded,
A dispatch received today from Col.

New York, Farch 14.—Announcement was made here today that the British government has awarded a contract to the Imperial Canneries, Limited, of Montreal, for 800,800,800 one pound cans of beef stew for army rations. The agregate value of the contract is given as \$51,600,000.

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Deliveries are to begin within 40 days and the contract is to be filled within a year. According to those interested, it will require 350,000,000 pounds of beef and 1,500,000 bags of rice, together with millions of pounds of beans, carrots and onions to fill the contract. The imperial Cannerices is a new corporation, composed of three American packing concerns and one Canadias concerns.

## FRENCH AND GERMAN GUNS KEEP UP VIOLENT FIRE

Paris, France, March 14.—Monday night saw a continuance of the artillery netivity on the Verdun front, West of the Meuse the cannonading was fairly violent and a recommisance on the part of the Germans in the wood of Haudremont was checked by the French, according to official announcement made in Paris this afternoon.

There was severe cannonading near Yaux and also in the Woodver district. In the wood of Le Petric a German, detachment advancing on a French trench was driven back.

## MEXICO MINISTER OF WAR GERMANS SHOOT DOWN

FOUR ENEMY AIRPLANES Berlin, Germany, March 14.—No important developments stong the west-tern front are recorded in the official communication which is as follows: "Generally speaking, there was no

that There is an undercurrent of excitement here.

A small engagement near Wieitle, northeast of Ypros, ended in the British being driven back. A British length of the British being driven back. A British length of the British being driven back. A British length of the British being driven back. A British length of the British being driven back. A British alrelane was about down by Lieut. Immedia, The occupants were dead. Two day night volunteered his services as a balloon observer or builder with the thilted States troops in their punitive expedition into Mexico to capture Villa.

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## RIGID U. S. CENSORSHIP

ESTABLISHED AT COLUMBUS San Antonio, Texas, March 14.—A rigid censorship was ordered established at Columbus, New Mexico, today by Maj. Gen. Frederick Funston. He instructed Brig. John J. Pershing, commanding there, to take charge of the telegraph office, watch all automobile routes and guard telephone wires out of the town.

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Gen. Funston said that newspaper reports from New Mexico had been revealing every movement of troops, the disposition of the various forces

and the amount of their equipment.
"There was no use trying to con ceal our plans here while there was a leak on the border," he explained, "we had to act." It was indicated that if the consorship ordered today was evaded, martial law might be the next step in controling the news situation

Former President Opposes Wilson's Choice For Supreme Court Judge.

preme Court Judge.

Washington, D. C., March 14.—Former president Taff and six other former presidents of the American Bar ansociation today protested to the senate indiciary subcommittee against confirmation of the nomination of Louis D. Brandeis for the supreme court. The others were Simon E. Baldwin, Francis Rawley, Jos. H. Cheste, Eithn Root, Mouffield Story and Peter W. Meldrim.

The first six sent a letter stating that "taking into view the reputation, character and professional career of Mr. Brandeis, he is not a fit person to be a member of the supreme court of the United States."

Hearings in the case of Brandels of Boston under investigation by a senate subcommittee as to his fitness to become a member of supreme court, were reopened today.

Two Bostonians, William Fitzgerald and Chas R. Smith, testified regarding Mr. Brandein's relation to the Old Dominion Copper company in which promoters were forced by court decree to refund \$2,000,000 to the company.

Washington, D. C. March 14.—In keeping with the president's desire to have all preparedness measures rushed through, the house rules committee to-day appointed a subcommittee to confer with speaker Clark on side tracking all other business after the passage of free sugar repeal in favor of the army bill.

President Wilson urged chairman Padgett, of the house naval committee, today to hurry the navy bill. Mr. Padgett told the president that the hearings probably would be ended in two weeks.

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In the senate, Monday's outburst against prolonged delay in considering defence mensures served to arouse senators generally to hasten their work. Democratic leaders declared today that should a prolonged fight develop over the senate, a motion will be made to displace it with the Chamberlain army reorganization bill.

An agreement was expected before night. If the plan carries, the army bill may be before the house by Friday. The limiteration bill how is stated to come up for discussion before the amberlain of the mili
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train. The Mexicans fied but they later expeditions taken to frustrate similar attempts. It will be impossible to patrol the long lines of communication belong that the various troop stations, however, Gen. Punston said. This will have to be largely left to the railroad companies.

Gen. Punston said the trains bearing troops probably would be preceded by pilot engines in sections where attempts might be made to blow them up.

Wagon load after wagon load of supplies, including tinned goods, such as corned beef and salmen, were being hauled out of Fort Sam Honsotn today. At the quartermasters headounters it was said that "part" of these supplies were going to El Paso.

police will have."

Fifth Brigade Commander at San Francisco Is Ordered To Come To Border.

MOTOR TRAINS FOR U. S. EXPEDITION

Horses Are Being Purchased For Use of Army; Trains Are Being Guarded.

SAN ANTONIO, Texas, March 14.—It was announced today that Brig. Gen. George Bell, fr., commander of the Fifth brigade, with headquarterm at San Francisco, has been ordered to El Paso to take command of the troops there, relieving Brig. Gen. J. J. Pershing, now at Columbus.

Gen. Bell will not be under Gen Pershing, but will have charge of the border situation when Gen. Pershing advances into Mexico.

He will operate under orders of Gen. Funsion. No orders for a movement across the border were issued from Fort Sam Houston this morning and none are likely today. Gen, Funston said that from now on he would refuse to answer questions concerning the imminonce of the expeditionary forces departure.

departure.

Will I've Motor wordy Trains.

The expeditionary force into Mexico is to be equipped with a complete motor supply train, an important in the United States army, it was announced today. Motor transportation of supplies was deemed necessary by Gen. Funston for after the expedition gets well on its way, it probably will get far from any railroad.

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The train will be divided into two companies, each with 27 trucks. One company will be equipped with four wheel drive cars and the other with faster and lighter machines. For the present the train will be manned with civilians.

civilians. Two hundred horses also are to be burchased at once to complete the caviling quota of mounts. These will be imputched to the border as fast as they are obtained.

ne obtained.

Buy Horses In Southwest.

Paragress agents have b Although European agents have been buying horses in the southwest in huge numbers, it is not expected, it was announced, that the government will have difficulty in getting good mounts. It became known today that lack of rolling stock, particularly in Arisona and New Mexico, has aided in the hindering troop transportation.

Attempt Made on Train.

Word came from Alpine, Texas, that an attempt had been made to hold up a train hearing ambutance company No. 7, from Fort Sum Houston on their way to El Paso by six Mexicans, Sunday night. The attempt was frustrated because the engineer sighted the Mexicans. cause the engineer sighted the Mexi-caus along the track and stopped his rain. The Mexicans fled but they

The authorities have but one request to make of the people of the city and that is that in the event of trouble-which is most remote-the men of the city remain in their homes, with their families, and not come

"The last thing we want or need is 'help' from the men of the city in the event of any sort of a clash," said an official charged with the duty of maintaining order in El Paso. "We have an ample number of police, deputy sheriffs,

The Eighth cavalry will remain at Fort Bliss, so will the battery of artillery ow there and the half regiment of

With the additio al police and deputy shariffs now on duty and the militia company at the courthouse, officials

militia and soldiers to control any trouble that might occur. For men to rush down town in idle curiosity or in the

belief that they would be a help, will only hinder us in our work. We hope every wife in El Paso will help us to keep

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tion, is to remain there. The 23d infantry, nov en route are a Galveston, is also to take station here, according

say there is absolutely no danger or their not being able to control any situation that might arise here, though the

El Paso Is Well Protected By Troops;

E 1. PASO is protected for any emergency, but the authorities are not looking for any trouble.

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BRIG. GEN. GEORGE BELL, JR.

Gen. Bell, who will command the U. S. troops at Fort Bliss, Camp Fort Bliss and Camp Cotton, is well known in El Paso. He was colonel commanding the 16th infantry at Camp Cotton when promoted to be a brigadier general. He has a long war record, including the Cuban, Philippine and indian campaigns. He has been stationed at San Francisco recently and will come from there to

# COLUMBUS IS BIG ARMED CAMP

OLUMBUS, N. M., March 14.-The tacked the 12th cavalry with disastrous results last Thursday has been expanded to the proportions of a smail city today to accommodate troops concentrated for the punitive expedi-

wagged throughout the day. It is the highest point in the immediate vicin-ity of Columbus and is in the midst of the army camp. It affords a clear lty of Columbus and is in the of the army camp. It affords a view of the level meas southwand beyond the Mexican border. U. S. ARMY WILL SECURE

## **54 TRUCKS, 15 MOTORCYCLES**

New York, March 14.—Bids for supplying 36 trucks and 15 motorcycles to the United States government to be used by troops in pursuit of Villa, were received today by Col. A. Smith, the United States depot quartermanter here. Col. Smith said the automobile trucks probably would be used to transport supplies to the troops at the front.

It is expected that the trucks and metorcycles will be ready for shipment within less than two weeks. The notorcycles will be of the kind that accommodate two riders. The outfit will cost the government about \$125,000. The motorcycles will be used by couriers.

## SAN SIMON CITIZENS TAKE STEPS FOR TOWN'S SAFETY

San Simon. Ariz, March 14.—Owing to a threat said to have been made some time ago by certain Mexicans, the citizens of San Simon held a meeting hast night and organized a mounted patrol guard. Men will patrol on the four sides of the town all night until it is known that cause for alarm has passed. If Trouble Comes, Men Must Stay Home

every husband at home in any crisis that arises. The more men who come downtown, the more trouble the troops and

## ALL QUIET IN VEHACRUZ: AMERICANS APPEAR SAFE

Veracruz, Mex., March 1t.—Governor Heriberto Jara has informed American consul Canada here he will be able to afford safety to all Americans. The people here believe the military governor will be able to preserve order.

WEALTHY MEXICANS COME TO BORDER WITH AMERIC Laredo, Tex., March 11.—The expense of americans from Mexico continued on page 7, Cel. 2.)

Resolution To Recruit Army To Full Strength To Be Introduced At Once.

WILSON'S REPLY PLEASES "CHIEF"

No Trouble Feared; Alarmist Reports Irritate President and Advisers.

Chairman Hay of the house military committee late today prepared for immediate introduction of a resolution to permit the president to raise the fighting atrength of the standing army to 120,600 men at once. Senators who were consulted by house leaders and war department officials asserted late today that the increase to be authorized by the house besolution would add approximately 3000 or 2000 men to the regiments now on the Mexican border bringing that force up to a total of about 17,000 men. Both Parties is Support Hill.

Most Democratis and Republicans will support the revolution in the house, chairman Hay and representative Kahu, ranking minority members of the military committee assured servitary between to raise the new without congressional action, secretary Bakes de assured that a point of support from leaders of both parties in order to be assured that a point of order would not be raised when the resolution came up.

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The state department was advised today by its representative with Maxican foreign secretary Acuna, that the reply made by the United States in regard to the reciprocal agreement for the passage of troops across the border created "a most favorable impression."

No New Warning to Americans.

The department has not renewed its standing order urging Americans to stay out of Mexico for the time being, but it was indicated that the attention of consuls in Mexico might be again directed to those instructions. American Reply Pleases Carransa,

directed to those instructions.

Ready For Crossing of Border.

Administration officials today momentarily awaited word from Gen.
Funston that the first detachment of American troops was moving into Mexico in pursuit of Villa and his bandits.

Latest official information from the border indicated that the mobilization of troops had made such progress that the first force was ready to cross the international boundary line at any time.

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Carranan Situation Adjusted.
Officials are confident that the altuation, so far as Gen. Carranan himself is concerned has been adjusted by acceptance of his proposal for a reciprocal arrangement by which either his troops or American troops may pursue outlaws an either side of the border.

Reports Anger Wilson.
Publication of reports that the United States expects trouble from Carranal is understood to be resented by administration officials including the president, some of whom say that the resports are being purposely disseminated by a certain element in order to bring about war with Mexico. Officials have made it clear that steps already taken were deliberately intended to preside the resolute the resolute intended. ready taken were deliberately intended to preclude the possibility of armed intervention and they are seriously considering taking action to stop pub-lication of reports of an alarmist na-

ture.

No III Feeling Apparent.

Official reports thus far received from interior points in Mexico and along the coast are all to the same effect—that there has been no III feeling against the United States because of the announcement that American troops would bunt down Villa.

Conditions Appear Pavorable.

Senator Chamberlain and representative Hay, chairmen, respectively, of the senate and house military committees, conferred briefly with the secretary of war.

it is known that cause for alarm has passed.

A code of signals was agreed upon and a place of refuge selected in case an alarm is turned in.

Constant night and day visits will be kept until the possibility of a surprise is known to have passed. Owing to the existence of a rifle club here, there is a sufficient number of high power guns and an abundance of ammunition.

CHICAGO FLYEBS TRAIN

FOR SERVICE IN MEXICO

Chicago, III. March 14.—The Aero Club of Illinois plans to train a velunteer reserve corps of Chicago flyers for military service in Mexico, it was announced today. The Chicago corps, it is said, will form part of a national reserve.

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